

Dear Louisiana Business Owner:

If your business has been closed due to Hurricane Katrina, Louisiana Economic Development is here to assist you in temporarily relocating your operations. Business owners can email the department at katrinabizhelp@la.gov to get help in finding available office space or other business property in communities throughout the state.

In addition, the department has formed a partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration to help expedite loans that can quickly aid businesses and individuals in getting back on track. SBA programs are available to displaced businesses and individuals in all parishes adversely affected by Katrina.

Business owners can begin the disaster loan application process by registering online with FEMA at www.fema.gov or 800-621-FEMA (3362). The toll free number will operate 24 hours daily until further notice.

When responding by email, please include the following information: your name/company name, type of business, city of business, email and phone number. Also please indicate your minimum requirements to get your business running again.

Best regards,

Louisiana Economic Development

